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Via ECFS Marlene H. Dortch, Secretary Federal Communications Commission 445 12th Street, S.W. Washington, D.C. 20554

Re: In the Matter of Petition of USTelecom for Forbearance Pursuant to 47 U.S.C. Section 160(c); WC Docket No. 18-141; Category 1

Dear FCC,

I am a subscriber to a local ISP who provides quality service at a competitive price and is bringing fiber-optic service to our neighborhood. The request by big telecom for deregulation will not bring more competition to broadband, rather it will stifle real competition. I personally would find that difficult reconcile that with the traditional Republican value of fair competition. After all, Republicans were the party that embraced, and led, on the idea of anti-trust regulation.

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